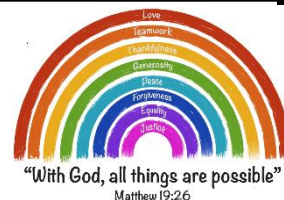




Westleigh Methodist Primary School

Weekly Newsletter: WC 5th December



What an exciting week we have had with our first appearance on the BBC national news and BBC Manchester Radio live. I am so proud of the way our pupils spoke so eloquently. They did Westleigh Methodist proud.

I am thrilled to be able to share that since the news piece was aired we have received several donations to school funds. We are overwhelmed by the generosity and kindness of people around the country who do not know us but want to help. This will go towards providing wider experiences for children beyond the academic.

We are incredibly thrilled to be able to offer every child in school a free Christmas dinner this year. It is a date we always look forward to in school and one that leaves all of our tummies nice and full! Make sure your order is in if your child would like one.

There are lots of new items on the uniform rail in school. Some amazing coats for boys that are like new. These items are available completely free of charge or for a donation if you wish. The stall is available to access every Friday at 3pm.

We will be accepting donations of Christmas jumpers in January ready for next year.

Mrs Moragrega

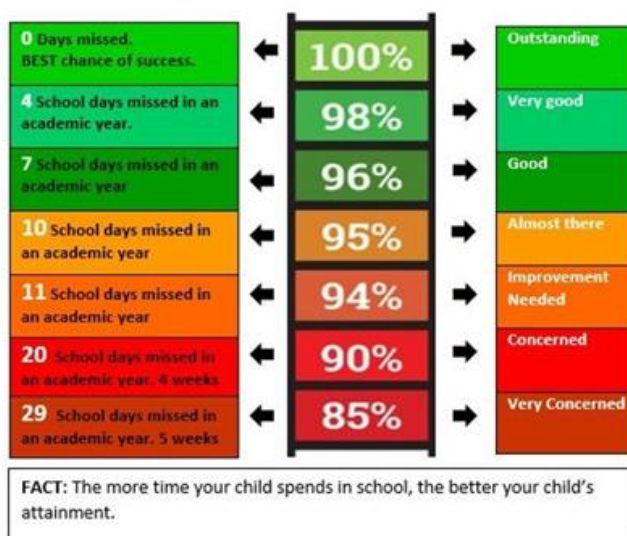
Dates for your diary

If you have a child, who is due to start reception in September 2023 and you would like to book a tour of school with Mrs Moragrega, then please ring our School Office on 01942 702967

- **Tuesday 13th December** – Y4 Drumming Performance 9.20am
- **Tuesday 13th December** – Christmas Dinner Day in school – children to wear Christmas clothes or party clothes
- **Wednesday 14th December** – Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2 Nativity 9.30am
- **Wednesday 14th December** – Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2 Nativity 2pm
- **Thursday 15th December** - Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2 Nativity 9.30am
- **Thursday 15th December** – Y3-Y6 Carol Concert 2pm
- **Friday 16th December**- Y3-Y6 Carol Concert 9.30am
- **Friday 16th December**- Y3-Y6 Carol Concert 2pm
- **Monday 19th December** – Christmas Spectacular Day in school
- **Wednesday 21st December** – Children break up for Christmas at 2pm
- **Wednesday 4th January** – Children return to school

Attendance

Year Group	Attendance This Week
Reception	86.9%
Year 1	90.0%
Year 2	95.9%
Year 3	96.7%
Year 4	95.3%
Year 5	94.8%
Year 6	93.7%
Whole school from 5 th September	93.9%



Well done Year 3. Year 3 won a hot chocolate treat after spinning the wheel. Well done!

This week we have completed pupil progress meetings across all classes following the autumn assessments. It is very clear to see the impact of low attendance on pupil's progress and the gaps in learning this creates.

Worship

In Worship this week we have explored our Picture News worship a little further. This week our focus has been, 'Are television channels as important as they once was?' We shared the different types of entertainment we watch on screens and how the entertainment we watch on screens have changed over time. We explored e-safety and the age restrictions on many apps and how to use screens safely. We have explored how we can learn and understand about the world around us and how it can also entertain us. This week's Picture News fitted really nicely after being on the BBC Breakfast News on Monday looking at the impact of the cost of living on schools, families and staff. The children thoroughly enjoyed watching the news piece and seeing themselves on the television.

Let's look at this week's story

This year, the BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation) marks 100 years of broadcasting. The first daily radio broadcasts began at 6pm, 14th November 1922. TV hadn't been invented then and it was another 14 years until the BBC started broadcasting regular programmes on television.

Lord John Reith was the BBC's first boss and wanted broadcasting to be taken seriously. He said that the BBC should 'inform, educate, entertain' - in that order. Before children's television, there was a children's radio programme that began in 1922, soon after the BBC was set up. It was called Children's Hour and was on between 5 and 6 o'clock every afternoon.

ASSEMBLY RESOURCE



How did the BBC start?

In 1922, the first ever national broadcasting organisation was formed for radio broadcasting using public money to pay for it. The BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation) went on to produce TV programmes for adults and later, children. Now, the BBC produce an even wider range of content including podcasts and online content on their iPlayer.



Picture above: A 1922 BBC programme, The Story of Tracy Beaker (2002). Source: BBC

Read through the information below, which provides an overview of how the BBC has changed over time.



Picture above: Children listening to the BBC's first ever radio programme for children - Children's Hour. Source: BBC

BBC Timeline

- 1922 The first radio station is launched
- 1946 The first children's TV programmes begin
- 1949 The first live weather forecast airs
- 1967 BBC Two becomes the first colour TV channel in Europe
- 2002 The CBBC (Children's BBC) channel is launched
- 2007 BBC iPlayer is launched



Picture above: A 1922 BBC programme, Horrible Histories (2009). Source: BBC

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Do you think the BBC is as important now as it was when it first launched?

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'Do all you can' Golden Broom Award Winners:

Mrs Bate for always working so hard to keep so tidy in every class she works in!

Christian Values Champion



Star of the Week



Year 6

Hannah for displaying love to our class.

Ryan for being a super star this week!

Year 5

Chnar for demonstrating the positive impact of teamwork.

Kylen for making the right choices and working well in his team.

Year 4

Lara for always displaying love and generosity to our class.

Willow for working hard to write an amazing recount in English.

Year 3

Lainey Mae for showing love to a new friend.

Clayton for trying hard in English.

Year 2

Kolby for showing teamwork throughout our Christmas play rehearsals.

Rocco for being really confident with his lines in the Christmas play.

Year 1

Parker for displaying generosity and teamwork in class and around school.

Isabella for always trying her hardest in everything she does.

Reception

Darcie for displaying excellent teamwork within class.

James for trying hard to follow instructions.

Nursery

Jolie for always being a kind member of the class.

Ava for fantastic singing and dancing in the Nativity.

Visit our Twitter Pages

Please visit your child's class Twitter page to see all of the amazing work that is happening each week. We are using Twitter to really showcase the incredible curriculum opportunities that our children receive at Westleigh!



Westleigh School: @WLMPrimary

Nursery: @WLMNursery

Reception: @ReceptionWLM

Year 1: @WLMYear1

Year 2: @WLMyear21

Year 3: @WLMYear3

Year 4: @WLMYear4

Year 5: @WLMYear5

Year 6: @WLMYear6